

Air Resources Board

Gray Davis

Alan C. Lloyd, Ph.D. Chairman

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May 14, 2001

Dear Member of the Diesel PM Agricultural Working Group:

I am writing to let you know about the first meeting of the Diesel PM Risk Reduction Agricultural Working Group (AgWG) and to thank you for your willingness to participate in the AgWG.

The first meeting of the AgWG will be held on May 30, 2001 at the following time and location:

Date: May 30, 2001

Time: 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Location: California Environmental Protection Agency

Sierra Hearing Room, 2nd floor

1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

At this meeting we will discuss the purpose and goals for the AgWG and provide you with an update on our recent outreach meetings to the agricultural community. We will also provide you with an overview of the Risk Reduction Plan to Reduce Particulate Matter Emissions from Diesel-Fueled Engines and Vehicles (Diesel Risk Reduction Plan) and our implementation activities currently underway. Other topics we wish to explore are ways to reduce diesel particulate matter from diesel-fueled engines or vehicles used in agricultural operations and what incentives can be used to encourage the introduction of cleaner engines. A preliminary agenda is enclosed with this letter.

Secondly, I appreciate your participation in this working group. This informal working group will have an important role as we move forward with implementation of the Diesel Risk Reduction Plan by providing a forum for the agricultural community to provide meaningful and necessary input. Your knowledge and experience in farming operations will be invaluable to our efforts to evaluate the feasibility of reducing diesel PM emissions from engines or vehicles used exclusively in agricultural operations. California's agriculture sector is a vital component of California's economic future and by working closely together and addressing agricultural concerns we can ensure that its viability is maintained.

"The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our Web-site at www.arb.ca.gov."

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I look forward to seeing you on May 30th. If you have any questions about the Diesel Risk Reduction Plan or this meeting of the AgWG, please call me at (916) 445-0650 or Ms. Peggy Taricco at (916) 327-7213.

Sincerely,

/s/

Peter D. Venturini, Chief Stationary Source Division

Enclosure

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California Air Resources Board Diesel PM Agricultural Working Group Meeting

May 30, 2001 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM California Environmental Protection Agency Sierra Hearing Room 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA

Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Diesel Risk Reduction Plan
- 3. Implementation Activities
 - Agricultural Outreach Meetings
 - Ag Demonstration Project
 - Stationary Source ATCM
 - Updating Emission Inventory-Ag Pumps
 - On/Off Road Fuel Regulation
- 4. Purpose and Goals of the Working Group
- 5. Options Available to Reduce Diesel PM Emissions from Agricultural Engines
- 6. Economic or Market-Based Incentives
- 7. Next Steps

Diesel PM Risk Reduction Agricultural Working Group Members*

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DR	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	ORGANIZATION
Mr.	Ben	Abatti, Jr.	Baja Farms
Mr.	Scott	Anthony	Scott Anthony Ranch
Ms.	Julianne	Bakke Ditman	Fresno County Farm Bureau
Mr.	Jason	Baldwin	Madera County Farm Bureau
Mr.	Mark	Boese	San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District
Mr.	Louie	Brown	Kahn,Soares & Conway
Mr.	Chris	Bunn	Bunny Crown Packing Co., Inc.
Mr.	Jim	Campbell	Jim Cambell Farms
Ms.	Cynthia	Cory	California Farm Bureau Federation
Mr.	David J.	Cramer	Grower-Shipper Association of Central California
Mr.	Manuel	Cunha, Jr.	Nisei Farmers League
Ms.	Sarah	Dahl	California Farm Bureau Federation Transportation, Health and Education Committee
Ms.	Kelly	Deming	Kings County Farm Bureau
Mr.	Paul E.	Desrochers	Thermo Ecotek Corporation
Dr.	Robert G.	Flocchini	University of California, Davis
Mr.	Hank	Giclis	Western Growers
Mr.	Larry	Gilbert	Merry Acres
Mr.	Herman	Gnos	E & H Farms
Mr.	Jay	Goold	Western United Dairymen
Ms.	Lauren	Grizzle	Imperial Valley Vegetable Growers Association
Mr.	Jeffrey A.	Huckins	FarWest Equipment Dealers Association
Mr.	Roger	Isom	California Cotton Ginners and California Cotton Growers Associations
Mr.	Joe	Kelly	J.C. Kelly Enterprises
Mr.	Harold	Kiernan	McClure Equipment
Ms.	Cheryl	Lehn	Tulare County Farm Bureau
Mr.	Bill	Mattos	California Poultry Industry Federation
Ms.	Catherine	Nyberg	Agricultural Council of California
Mr.	Alex	Ott	California Grape & Tree Fruit League
Mr.	Sam W.	Pallesi	Fresno Equipment Company
Mr.	Pete	Pankey	Key Farm
Ms.	Renee	Pinel	California Fertilizer Association
Mr.	Richard	Quandt	Shipper Vegetable Association of Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo
Mr.	Chris	Reardon	Central Valley Manufacturers Council
Mr.	Robert P.	Roy	Ventura County Agricultural Association
Mr.	Randy	Scott	Quinn Engine systems
Mr.	John	Shogren	Cottonwood Growers
Mr.	Michael	Tanner	Merced County Agricultural Commission
Mr.	Dennis	Tristao	J.G. Boswell Company
Mr.	Edgar	Tuna	El Modeno Gardens
Mr.	Peter D.	Venturini	Air Resources Board
Mr.	Steve	Vucovich	Fresno Equipment
Mr.	Dan	Webb	California Department of Food and Agriculture

^{*} This is a list of the members of the Diesel PM Agricultural Working Group. All meetings will be open to the public, and interested parties are invited to attend and participate.